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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminary to the calculation of fees and examination of the above-identified reissue application being transmitted herewith, please amend U.S. Patent No. 6,081,491 (the '491 patent) without prejudice or disclaimer as follows:

In the claims:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) An optical disk reproducing device comprising: means for rotating an optical disk;

means for reading data from the disk while the disk is rotated;

means for detecting vibration or shock of the device during rotation of the disk;

and

velocity control means for controlling the rotational velocity of the disk to be a predetermined velocity to read data from the table of contents (TOC) area of the disk, and then determining a limit rotational velocity of the disk above which the vibration or shock is excessive by varying the rotational velocity of the disk, and when data is read from a data area of the disk, causing the disk to rotate at a rotational velocity which is not higher than said limit rotational velocity.